

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3635**

S/N 10/573,453

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Williams et al.	Examiner:	Elizabeth Plummer
Serial No.:	10/573,453	Group Art Unit:	3635
Filed:	March 24, 2006	Docket No.:	10682.0011USWO
Customer No.:	23552	Confirmation No.:	2415
Title:	DEVICE FOR JOINING PANELS		

RESPONSE

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed December 23, 2008. A petition for a one-month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith to extend the deadline for response from March 23, 2009 to April 23, 2009.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.